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## Comment Of The Day

No alternative  
to violence

**RENEWED** violence in South Africa sharply underlines the fact that today Africans have no other form of protest open to them. As things stand, the Union Government has blocked every effective political channel through which African nationalist feeling can express itself. The moderate African National Congress, many of whose leaders are sincere devotees of Gandhi's doctrine of passive resistance, has been shackled by law and a number of its leaders are defendants in the big conspiracy trial.

Now, not only this organization but also the radical Pan-Africanist Congress which has taken the leading part in protesting against the issue of identity cards are to be outlawed. Knowing the temper of the Pan-Africanist Congress it will be surprising if this puts an end to its activities. It may even drive an organization already showing extremist tendencies over the brink into guerrilla warfare or the kind of terrorism practised by Sinn Fein in Britain during World War I. And if that happens, the South African Government will have only itself to blame.

**IF** the Government persists in a philosophy of racial discrimination which is unreal, impracticable and unjust, and which can be sustained only by repression and, increasingly, by brute force, it must learn its lesson the hard way. The developing pattern of violence is clear, and utterly refutes the claims which the South African Government has made from time to time through its overseas information branches that outbreaks of African violence are isolated incidents, unrelated to the apartheid issue.

What after all was the issue in last week's tragic rioting? None other than the system under which every black African must carry his pass, or identity card. Without it he cannot work and is liable to summary arrest. A woman caught without her pass may be thrown into jail with no one to care for her children. The family of a man who leaves his reserve to work in a town may not join him. A man dare not move from his place of work because he will become unemployed. It was against this harsh, inhuman product of the apartheid policy that the crowds at Sharpeville and elsewhere were protesting.

**THE** weekend announcement of the easing of the pass law seems to be regarded as a climb-down by the authorities, but the Government insists it is only temporary and that they will re-enforce the moment the situation returns to normal. The defiant, belligerent mood of the Africans is perhaps most clearly exemplified by the mass burning of the pass books and the renewed demonstrations in Capetown on Monday. And the most tragic aspect of the clashes is the certainty that collisions like this will happen again the moment the Union Government attempts to assert its authority. South Africa faces a bitter, terrifying, hate-charged future.

# Specially 'doctored' to make it seem more powerful FRENCH A-BOMB SENSATION

## Alleged bid to deceive America

By CHAPMAN PINCHER

Paris, Mar. 30. The atom bomb exploded in the Sahara last month was specially "doctored" to deceive America into thinking France produced a more powerful weapon.

I can reveal this ruse failed completely and has ended in political fiasco for de Gaulle who was mainly responsible for it.

Its purpose was to induce the United States to include France in the congressional agreement which enables America to share atomic secrets with friendly nations, providing valuable information is returned.

**CRUDE**  
But Anglo-American analysis of samples of radioactive dust collected by plane after the explosion disclosed the true nature of the bomb. It was one of the crudest and least efficient atomic explosions ever staged.

The French scientists planned a modest explosion which, testing a principle they had devised, would use little of their precious plutonium.

Instead, de Gaulle ordered them to create as big a blast as possible.

The only way they could achieve this was to scrape together all the plutonium available and cram it into a crude device the size of a caravan.

This produced a blast three times more powerful than the Hiroshima bomb.

The French hoped Anglo-America would assume that the explosion was achieved in the usual scientific way by using the minimum amount of plutonium and also assume the bomb was highly efficient.

—London Express Service.

## Africans object to rent rise

Johannesburg, Mar. 29. Police fired a volley of shots over the heads of a crowd of hundreds of Africans in Esselton African townships to-night.

The crowd dispersed with no casualties.

The Africans had tried to march on the town of Ermelo, 124 miles from Johannesburg, to protest against an increase of two shillings in the monthly rent for their homes in Esselton.

**RAIDS**  
The rent rise, it was stated, was to be used to provide sports facilities in the location.

Police confronted the marching Africans on the outskirts of the township and ordered them to return to their homes. The volley was fired when they refused.

Meanwhile police early today carried out a number of raids under the Public Safety Act.

Colonel A. Spengler head of the Security Branch said the Special Branch was not carrying out the raids and he could make no comment on them.

—Reuter.

## ARSON PROBE IN GLASGOW GODOWN EXPLOSION

Glasgow, Mar. 29.

Police today opened an investigation to determine if an act of arson was responsible for the gigantic fire which last night destroyed a warehouse stocked with about 900,000 gallons of whisky.

One more fireman was reported missing, bringing the total to 20, and several civilians were feared dead as a result of the fire.

The firemen were killed when a gigantic explosion burst the walls of the warehouse covering them with a mass of falling bricks and timber.

The warehouse which burned down was the third one, each containing whisky stocks, to have been destroyed in this city in the last five weeks, leading police to believe that the series of blazes might have been started deliberately.

### Fund opened

A city-wide collection was organized today by the Mayor of Glasgow for the benefit of the families of the victims who died in the worst catastrophe in the city's history.

Work which was being carried on to find the bodies of the eleven firemen still buried under the charred ruins was interrupted because of the danger of the building's super-framing falling on the rescue workers.

By mid-afternoon today, workers had still not succeeded in clearing up the debris under which the victims lay.—AFP.

## Ships collide head on: no casualties

Houston, Mar. 29. The freighters Hastings and Antinous collided head on into each other at the entrance to the Houston Channel today.

None of the total of about 90 men on board the two vessels was injured. But the owners of the bows of both vessels were smashed and the damage was considered "major".

It was foggy all morning and there was quite a bad haze at the time the ships collided a report said.—UPI.

## JAIL SENTENCE FOR HIT-AND-RUN DRIVER REDUCED

In an application for review of sentence before Mr I. T. Morris at Central Court this morning, a young driver had his original fine of \$500 increased to \$1,000 or one month's imprisonment and his sentence of two months' jail reduced to 14 days.

The driver, Cheung Tan, 22, was convicted on March 21 by the same Magistrate for failing to stop after an accident in which a man was injured.

Cheung also had his original disqualification from holding a driving licence increased to the statutory period of 12 months.

In his judgment, Mr Morris said: "I have reviewed this case in the light of further representations brought to the notice of the court by learned counsel for the applicant. The applicant is a young man of 22 years of age and having heard what has been said in support of this application by three witnesses I have come to the conclusion that he does not perhaps merit a sentence of two months' imprisonment."

### DETERRENT

"But," Mr Morris added, "he must be treated in such a way that he, his comrades and others will be deterred from such behaviour in future."

Mr Morris said it was important that the applicant's attempt to avoid reporting the matter was nearly successful and would have been successful had it not been for the acumen of a passer-by who, having seen what happened, pursued the defendant's car for a considerable distance on foot, intercepted it and noted its number and later reported the incident to the police.

### DATED BACK

Cheung's sentence was dated from the day of the original conviction.

The Prosecution's case was that defendant failed to stop after his private car having been involved in an accident on the early morning of March 18 in Lyuhurst Road.

Mr Oswald Cheung, instructed by Mr A. K. W. Lul of Messrs Lo and Lo, represented the applicant.

Sub-inspector M. R. Atkinson appeared for the Prosecution.

## Expert testifies in manslaughter case

Damage to a taxi and bus was consistent with that found on a station wagon allegedly driven by the accused.

This was said by Mr W. Winter of the PWD workshops, Caroline Hill, when he testified this morning against Marcel Noel Andre Fleming, charged with the manslaughter of a police inspector.

Testifying before Mr Derek Cons at Central Court, Mr Winter said he examined the three vehicles and compared the damage done to each.

He found traces of red paint in the dents and scratches on the station wagon, XX4240. Examining the taxi and bus he found marks consistent with those of the station wagon's bumper and door hinge. All were at the same level.

Continuing, Mr Winter said: "The rear view mirror fitted to the offside front mudguard of the wagon and the scratch on the side of the bus were exactly the same height." He said, "The door hinge and the dent

on the bus were also at the same level and this was also the case with the rubber marks on the side of the bus and the graze on the offside front tyre of XX4240."

Mr Winter said that the dent on the rear nearside mudguard of the taxi was the same height as the offside bumper of the station wagon.

### NO DOUBT

Continuing, he said, "I have no reason to doubt that the bus and XX 4240 made contact with each other as they were travelling in opposite directions. As to the taxi and the wagon, I have

no doubt that they made contact with each other while travelling in the same direction."

Fleming, who is alleged to have killed Inspector St. Welling and injured Mrs St. Welling and injured Mrs St. Welling, is also alleged to have been involved in two other traffic accidents on the same day, one in Garden Road and the other in Pokfulam Road.

Mr W. S. Davidson, Crown Counsel, assisted by Chief Inspector Pope, is appearing for the Crown.

Mr Harold Caine, of Messrs Johnson, Stokes and Master, is representing Fleming. Hearing continues this afternoon.

## Sunspots disrupt radio reception

A solar eruption interrupted long distance radio communication between Hongkong and other parts of the world yesterday afternoon.

The interference lasted for one and a half hours, said a spokesman for the Cable and Wireless whom contacted by the China Mail. The effect was first felt at 4 p.m.

Communications in the immediate neighbourhood in the Far East region were not affected.

"As the company has many means to get around the interruption, the solar eruption has not caused us great inconvenience," said the spokesman.

## 'Death or Glory' boys for Hongkong

London, Mar. 29.

About 420 officers and men of the 17th-21st Lancers (the "Death or Glory boys") left Southampton today in the troopship Oxfordshire for Hongkong.

It is the first posting east of India in the regiment's history.

Ten former commanding officers met to give the Lancers a send-off. Oldest of them was Lieutenant-General Sir Bertie Fisher, 82, who commanded the regiment in 1919 and was its Colonel from 1938 until 1947.—AFP.

## Girl falls 60 feet, hurts arm

CHINA MAIL REPORTER

A seven-year-old girl fell 60 feet from a verandah and survived this morning.

She suffered a twisted left arm and was sent to hospital. Kwok Lung-chun, the girl, sat astride a parapet on the verandah on the fifth floor of Healthy Village Estate in North Point, happily swinging her legs.

**SHOUTED**  
A woman seeing the girl's precarious position shouted from across the street but the girl either did not hear her or ignored her.

After falling the girl got up looking pale and shaken, and crying.

The girl was by herself in the flat.

The father is a barber working in North Point. The mother also works.

## Aid bill passed

London, Mar. 29.

The House of Commons tonight unanimously agreed in principle to a bill which will enable Britain to subscribe about £47 million over the next five years to assist less developed countries.—Reuter.

## 1,000 FEARED DEAD IN FLOOD HORROR

Rio de Janeiro, Mar. 29. More than 1,000 people were feared dead today in floods caused by the rupture of the giant Oras Dam, and thousands of others remained stranded in the water-covered Jaguariba Valley leading from the dam to the Atlantic Ocean.

The number of dead—as estimated by the chief of police in Fortaleza, the capital of the state in which the dam is situated—was considered relatively low compared with the number of people—estimated at 250,000—who fled the rampaging waters.

Sluggish flood waters still threatened the city of Aracati, near the Atlantic. Ignoring appeals from the authorities, almost four thousand people refused evacuation from the city.

### Stranded

Unconfirmed reports said that at Limosoro, a city of 50,000, 80 people had taken refuge in the town's church bell-tower, the only structure above water.

At Fortin, almost 1,000 people remain stranded on rooftops, awaiting rescuers, and another 2,000 huddled similarly at Umbelao.

Attempts to drop rubber life-boats from planes and helicopters proved fruitless when the boats were swept past survivors by churning waters.

Plans were being made to send rescue squads to help the victims.—AFP.

## EMERGENCY CALL

The Blood Bank sent out an emergency call this morning following an urgent request from Queen Mary Hospital.

Six men and women, all regular donors, rushed to the Bank in Fung House.

The call was made because the blood was needed for an "accident," but the hospital said the blood was to be held ready for a chest operation.

## NT ESCAPE INCIDENT: JUNK WAS UNARMED

The junk which chased another junk into British waters in the New Territories yesterday was not armed nor were the ten men on board in uniform.

A Government spokesman confirmed this today. He also told the China Mail that investigations were proceeding and no decision could be made about the 19 people detained.

About 1 a.m. yesterday a junk carrying two men and seven women escaped from Chinese waters into the waters off Sa Kiu, north of Castle Peak.

**Oyster workers**  
The escapes landed when the ten people on board a second junk caught up with them and tried to round them up.

The villagers told the police who intercepted the intruders. The nine people who fled to Hongkong territory were believed to be oyster gatherers working on the Chinese side of Deep Bay.

The pursuers were thought to be cadres from the Chinese Oyster Workers Co-operative in Nam Tau area across the bay.

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## Actors' strike about to end, rise in salaries expected

Hollywood, Mar. 29.

Hollywood's striking film actors may be back at work tomorrow or Thursday after their three week battle with seven major studios over royalties on films released for television.

## U.S. claims plane incident a plot

Washington, Mar. 29. U.S. investigators were today reported to be holding a signed statement claiming that last week's Cuban plane incident was a Castro plot to embarrass the United States.

The United States may bring the affair before an Inter-American body — the Peace Committee of the Organisation of American States — in protest that the Castro regime is provoking tension in the Caribbean.

### STATEMENT

The signed statement was said to have come from J. Shergales, one of the two pilots captured by the Cubans March 21 after their small plane landed on a highway near Matanzas, Cuba.

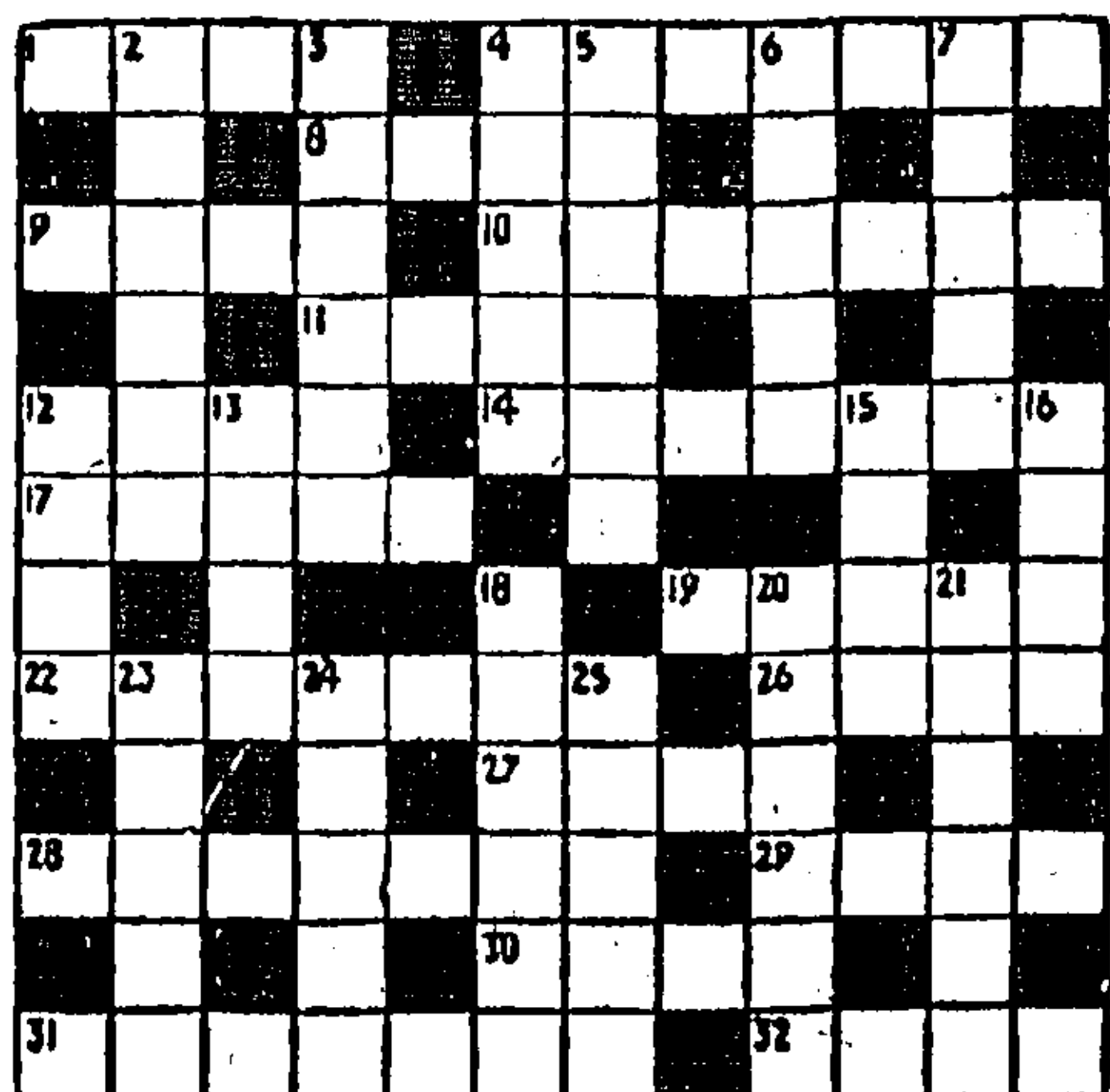
Cuban officials then alleged they had forced down the craft, with gunfire. They charged the Americans had flown from Florida in an illegal attempt to smuggle out some enemies of Premier Fidel Castro.

According to reports here, however, Shergales has signed a statement saying his flight was made with advance knowledge of officials in the Castro regime.

The state department in Washington declined comment.

Authorities, however, regarded the flight as a criminal venture designed to stoke the fires of discord.—AP.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Major or minor constellation (4)
  - Stanley's last word on finding Livingstone (7)
  - Air of merriment (4)
  - Anyone can follow one's own (4)
  - State a person's years? That's mean (7)
  - The resort for the fastidious? (4)
  - Bound to a mixed diet (4)
  - But twisted in hand, but a bowler may carry it (7)
  - Fieldwork (5)
  - Vocally rough (6)
  - The predecessors of garage bands (7)
  - Broccoli (4)
  - Put on by the affected (4)
  - Revoked the supply of children (7)
  - Partly rundown (4)
  - It's not found only in a Communist prison (4)
  - Barterially and gastronomically ready for drink (7)
  - Hit the trail (4)
- DOWN**
- Callow recruit (6)
  - Business matters (6)
  - Smashing fruit? (5)
  - Make a disclosure about some meat (6)
  - Clean up the undergrowth? (5)
  - She could always nag me, when upset (5)
  - A duet and a half? (4)
  - Work in Fleet St? (4)
  - A spirit in bloom (4)
  - Crazy (4)
  - State of coma (6)
  - Issue from Ulster (6)
  - Musicians' standard of notes? (6)
  - She starts to clip (5)
  - Is without? (4)
  - Was not impartial (5)

**YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across: 1. Rafter, 5. Homestead, 8. Local, 9. Ornate, 10. Robin, 11. Strip, 12. Mile, 13. Cereals, 14. Lure, 16. Indore, 18. Albert, 20. Erie, 22. Sire, 23. T-rash, 25. Muffin, 26. S.A.-team, 27. Bacter, 28. Learn, 29. Banned. Down: 1. Roommate, 2. Familiar, 3. Eds, 4. Routine, 5. Haricot, 6. Eloquent, 7. Agit-Lee, 14. Nestle, 15. Screened, 16. Iberian, 17. Dresser, 19. Litter, 21. Exude, 24. Hare.

## Arrests in Uganda

Kampala, Mar. 29.

Police arrested two African women today after steel-helmeted, baton and shield-armed riot police dispersed 300 demonstrators surrounding another police party.

The police unit that ran into trouble had tried to serve a restriction order forbidding a local African trade boycott leader — from going more than 200 yards from his home.

Acting Police Commissioner Mr M. R. Langley, today signed three more house arrest orders against promoters of an anti-Baganda boycott.

A total of 21 house arrest orders have been signed within a week.

Meanwhile, in southwest Uganda, struggles between Roman Catholics and Protestants recently erupted into disorders.

Two additional arson cases — both directed against Protestants — were reported.

The village church was burned down as was the home of an African Protestant minister.—AP.

## Death sentence for ex-Soviet police chief

Moscow, Mar. 29. A former police chief in the Smolensk region and a companion have been sentenced to death for carrying out mass murders under the Nazis in World War II, the newspaper Soviet Russia reported today.

The paper said dozens of witnesses testified that former police chief, I. Kirienko, of Volsk, and E. Sechov were responsible for the deaths of thousands by ghetto burning, mass extermination and torture.

During the 10-day military court trial, the paper said, Sechov's daughter announced she was changing her name because her father had disgraced it.

Three other Russians were given 15-year prison sentences for collaborating with German occupation forces in the same area.

The execution date for Kirienko and Sechov was not announced.—AP.

## Caldwell's novel banned

Melbourne, Mar. 29. A Supreme Court judge today upheld a magistrate's ruling that Erskine Caldwell's novel, "God's Little Acre," was obscene and that copies seized from a book publisher's Melbourne office should be destroyed.

Mr Justice Pape, of the Supreme Court of Victoria, ruled that the magistrate was entitled to find in the city court that the book was obscene because it placed undue emphasis on sex.—China Mail Special.

## Boat with 22 aboard missing

Suva, Mar. 29. The 114 tons Tongan fishing boat Telke is missing in the South Pacific with 22 people aboard.

Searching aircraft today found no trace of the vessel but lifebelts, kerosene drums and a hatch cover believed to belong to the missing vessel have been washed up on Vavau Island in the Tonga group.

The vessel passed through an area recently hit by typhoons.—Reuters.

## Wealthy parents testify in son's murder trial

Paris, Mar. 29.

The parents and the fiancée of handsome Georges Rapin, spoiled son of a wealthy family accused of two murders and previously self-confessed author of eleven murders, were the star witnesses scheduled in the trial today.

Rapin, who is known as "Mr. Bill", testified yesterday. He denied earlier admissions that he had shot and burned a young woman Dominique Thirel, last June 8 and two weeks later shot a gas station attendant.

The first witness was Dr. Paul Gouriou, who said he had found traces of alcoholism in Rapin but that "Mr. Bill" showed no signs of being a pathological liar.

**'TOTALLY RESPONSIBLE'**

The doctor said Bill had been spoiled as a child but that he had grown into a "virile adult" and was "totally responsible".

The father of "Mr. Bill", Marcel Rapin, spoke in a serious, assured tone, and said that he was absolutely convinced of his son's innocence and was sure his son was the victim of those with whom he frequented.

Rapin said each night for months he had been receiving a mysterious telephone call

## Dismembered bodies taken out of river

Paris, Mar. 29.

Dismembered, decapitated bodies of two unidentified people were found inside three new suitcases floating on the Seine River today on the outskirts of Paris.

The suitcases were hauled in by local fishermen who spotted them after another angler saw some men climb from a car and dump them into the river.

The victims, police estimated, had been dead several days.—AFP.

## GAVE UP CITIZENSHIP TO HELP GERMANY

New York, Mar. 29.

A former college professor who renounced U.S. citizenship and became a Nazi broadcaster testified today he believed that Germany "was an underdog who needed a helping hand."

Dr. Edward Vioth Sittler, 43, of New York, spoke at a hearing conducted by the Immigration and Naturalization Service on his application for reinstatement on citizenship.

He said he went to Germany in 1938 at the age of 21 and became a naturalized German citizen under Adolf Hitler two years later. He returned to the United States in 1954.

Sittler testified that he never thought the United States would enter World War II.

**CRUCIAL TEST**

Asked why he sought German citizenship, the former professor at C. W. Post College of Long Island University said:

"I felt Germany was up against a crucial test... of its national existence."

"I wanted to see that Germany got a square deal — the attention it deserved — I felt they needed a helping hand, as ridiculous as that might sound, and I was prepared to offer one," he said.

Sittler's wife, Lilly Margaret, seeks to become a naturalized citizen. They have eight children.—AP.

## Indonesia warns China to halt radio campaign

Djakarta, Mar. 29.

Indonesia's Foreign Minister Subandrio has sent a sharp note to China warning it to halt its current press and radio campaign against Indonesia.

Mr Subandrio warned that "a favorable atmosphere" was essential on both sides if the problem of repatriating Chinese Nationals from Indonesia was to be amicably solved.

The resettlement question, which springs from the Indonesian Government's refusal to permit alien Chinese to trade in rural areas, has already caused several diplomatic disputes between the two countries.

**COMPLICATED PROBLEM**

Mr Subandrio's current note, addressed to China's foreign Minister Chen Yi, was cabled to Peking on Sunday, and at the same time handed to the Chinese embassy here.

In it, Mr Subandrio says the Chinese problem is a complicated one "which must be settled... with discretion on both sides." Both sides, he added, should suppress "unfavorable reactions" in their respective communities.

According to Indonesian officials a total of 7,000 Chinese have left the republic to be repatriated to the China mainland since the beginning of February.—AP.

## Strike threat in London's gas industry

London, Mar. 29.

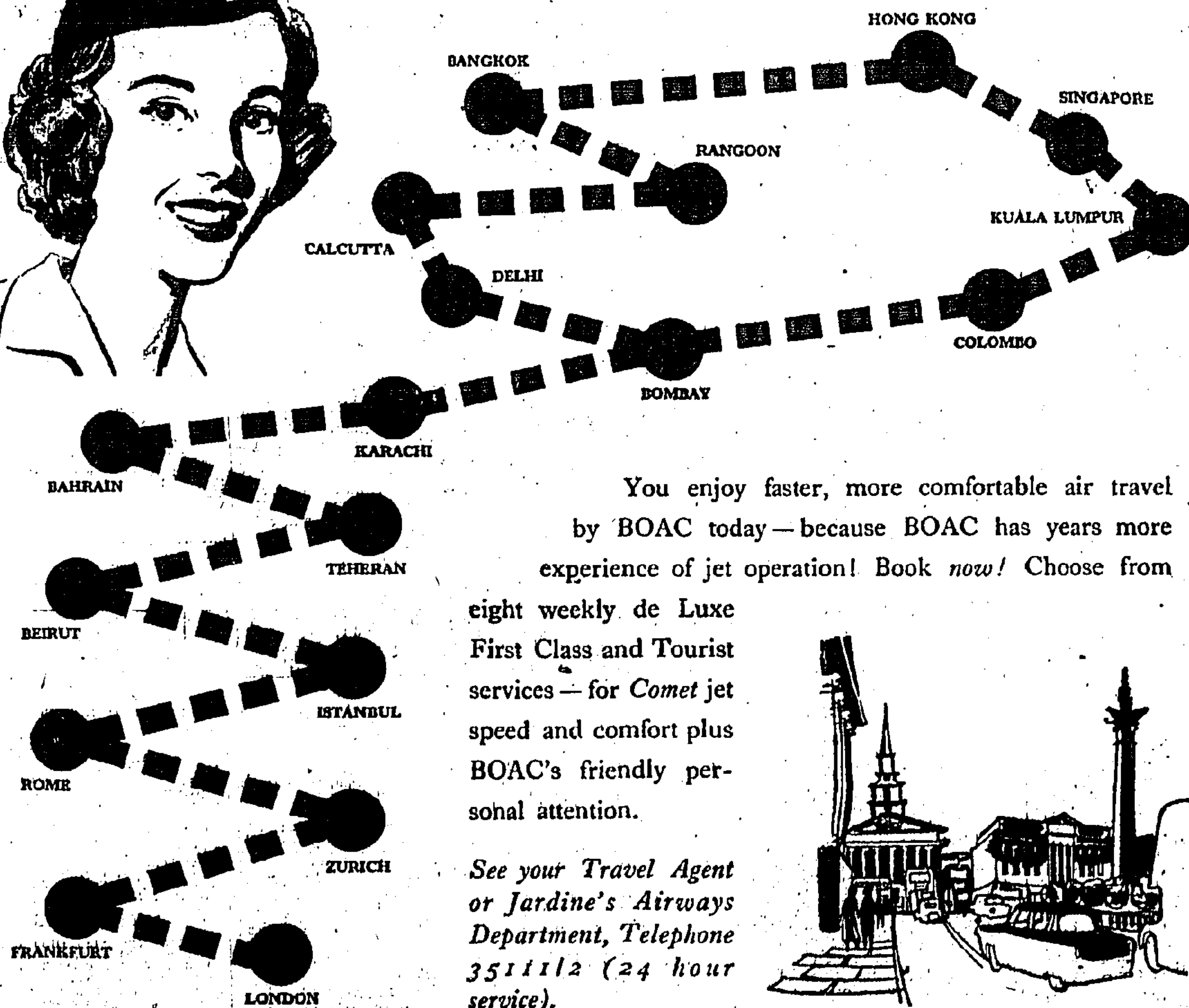
Chiefs of Britain's second biggest union today acted to stop a threatened unofficial strike in the gas industry — one of four key industries facing the threat of guerrilla walk-outs.

The executive council of the Amalgamated Engineering Union decided to instruct all its members to continue normal work and not to join in any unofficial action.

This follows allegations yesterday by Mr Jim Matthews, national officer of the General and Municipal Workers Union, that the stoppage in the gas industry was part of a wider plan to disrupt the gas, power, dock and car industries.—Reuters.

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# 'Bomb-Khrushchev' men gobble chicken

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ON ISLAND 'HOLIDAY'

CORSICA, the "island of beauty" whose principal exports are bandits, barkeepers, barristers, and Bonaparte, has some very special imports just now—800 "tucsts" speaking anything from Chinese to Serbo-Croat. They all have one thing in common, or so reckons the French Second Bureau (M.I.5). They would all like to throw a bomb at Khrushchev during his stay in Paris.

To back their suspicions, the Deuxieme Bureau men are investing an amount which I calculate must be more than £100,000.

This is the minimum cost of air transport, hotels, and police guards for 25 days for the 2,000 men whom de Gaulle considers dangerous to have in France while Khrushchev is there.

## Luxury hotel

The cream of the 2,000—some 80 anti-Communist—are staying at the Hotel Splendid in one of Corsica's most misnamed resorts, Red Island.

The rest are dotted around other Corsican resorts and off-shore French islands. As I approached it along the winding north coast road of Corsica, Red Island looked rather like America's no-hope security island of Alcatraz.

The red rock with its grim lighthouse and coastguard station

From

ROBIN STAFFORD

Ile Rousse, Corsica

was jutting out of the windswept waves.

But the Hotel Splendid itself advertises "Every comfort, telephones in rooms, TV, view of the mountains, and sea excursions."

French police are here to stop any sea excursions, but the rest of the advertisement stands.

The sight of 80 men and women of all nationalities cutting into a lunch of hors d'oeuvre, chicken, dessert, cheese, coffee, and wine unlimited—all with the compliments of General de Gaulle—is a sight worth seeing.

"Keeping us here is disgusting," bawled one Yugoslav, between mouthfuls of creamed chicken and free wine, as I walked into the restaurant.

"An insult to human dignity and the rights of man," he added as he stabbed viciously at a half-pound slab of butter.

## Every meal

In the time they have been here, no one, except the Hungarian down with flu in Room No. 10 has missed a single meal. At one table the other day sat Valentin "El Campesino" Gonzalez, well-known to Britons in the International Brigade which fought France in the Spanish Civil War.

El Campesino was once a lieutenant-general in the Red Army. He fell from favour when he told Stalin: "The Revolution is a farce and liberty in Russia is a fiction."

I asked him if he had planned to throw a bomb at Khrushchev. "Are you kidding?" growled the Soviet General (he has never been officially "busted").

"With 400 French detectives, 200 Russian detectives, and several French Communists standing round Khrushchev I would need an atom bomb." But he admits he is planning a come-back in Spain by just these methods—"this year or next."

## Premier's son

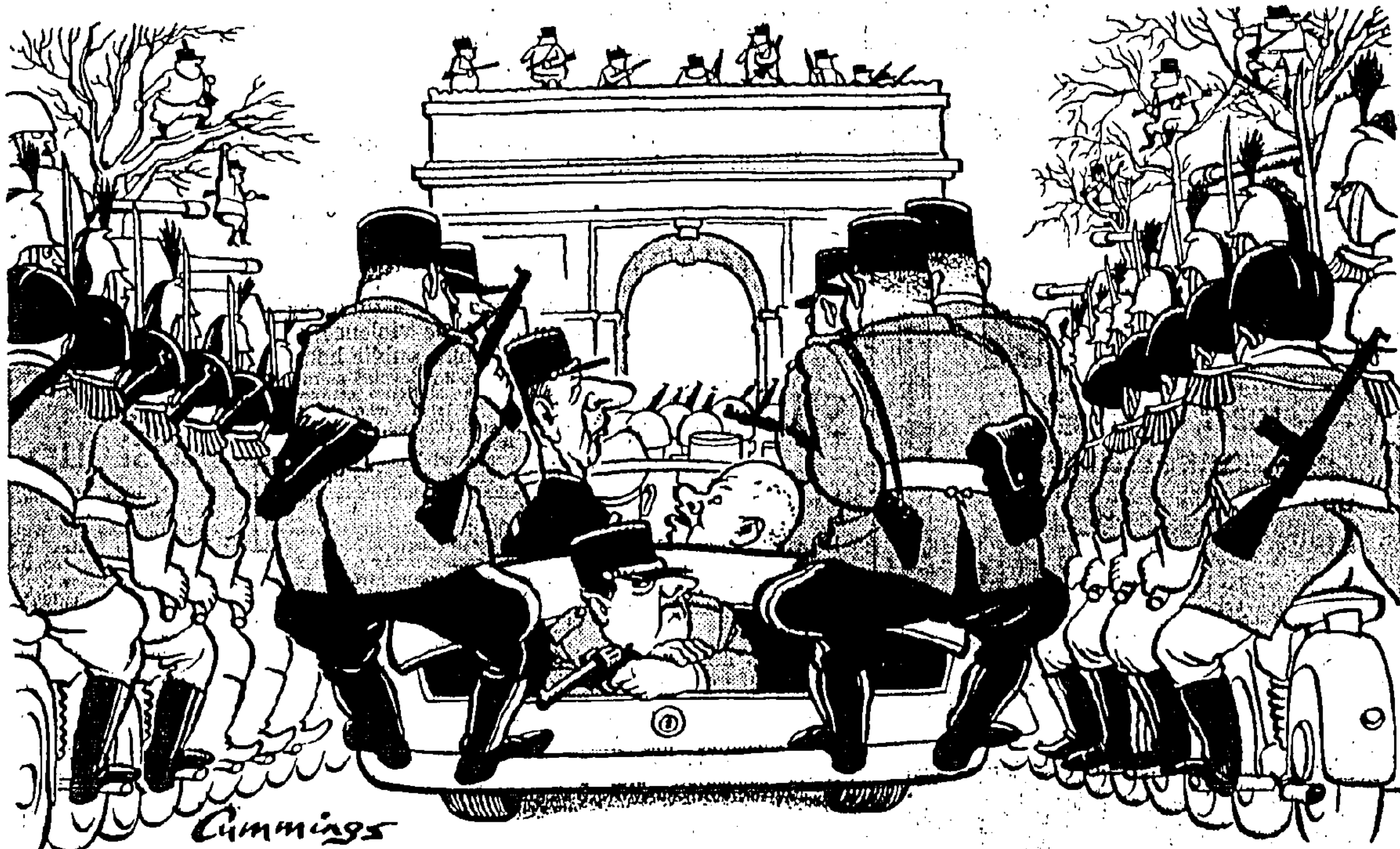
At the next table sat 57-year-old Arady Stolyin, kingpin at the French News Agency's Russian radio monitoring service. His father was Russian Premier from 1906 to 1911—before the revolutionaries shot him at Kiev.

Stolyin told me: "This is the most misnamed thing I ever got mixed up in. The Splendid Hotel is not at all splendid and we are not guests. We are prisoners." Said Michel Pavlov, grey-haired leader of the White Russian "combats" in Paris: "This forced exile is my proudest medal."

A blonde student, 27-year-old Ukrainian Tamara Hryciuk, said: "My holiday started at 6 a.m. in Paris when five detectives almost broke the door down. It was worse than Russia." Said Madame Roustan, hotel proprietress: "My price to the French Government is £2 a day full pension. My only worry is whether picking Corsica for these gentlemen will give tourists the impression that this is a Devil's Island."

When I think how the gentlemen eat I doubt if Devil's Island were ever like this.

(London Express Service).



"TELL ME, CHER GENERAL, AM I A GUEST OR SIMPLY UNDER ARREST?"

London Express Service.

## FLOGGING:

IT'S THE POLICE WHO FAVOUR IT MOST!

by Percy Hoskins

London.

I HAVE noticed one thing particularly about the people who resist a return to flogging.

They brand supporters of the birch with that ancient cliché "backwoodsmen."

But it is these self-styled reformists who are really the minority and out of touch with reality. Most British people are so concerned with the increase in violence that they certainly are anxious to restore physical punishment.

So are many M.P.s. But, even more significant and important, so are the police—the men who come into daily contact with the sad results of undeterred savagery.

They can visualise no other deterrent. And they do not share the optimism of the Home Secretary, Mr Butler, when he claims that the crime wave has now reached its peak.

## NO EXCUSE

What evidence is there, they ask, to support the idea that the tide has begun to ebb? It is certainly not to be found in the figures. Crimes of violence in 1959 are now known to have reached the record figure of 13,875 in Britain, an increase of 1,738 on the previous year and almost treble the 1949 total.

Breathing or some form of physical punishment is the only deterrent, say the police, for the young thug of 17 to 20 who goes around beating people up just for fun.

Robbery with violence, too, could once be excused on the grounds of desperation born of acute need; but not in these days of full employment.

However hard and ingeniously the abolitionists use figures to support their arguments that flogging is no deterrent, the police are apt to rely on an example provided by a famous Mayfair case of the thirties in which a diamond merchant was beaten up and left for dead.

## SUBSTITUTE

Three culprits who were sentenced to the cat have never put a foot wrong since. The fourth, who escaped this penalty because of his youth, has been in and out of prison.

The police believe that if flogging were awarded as a substitute for imprisonment and not as additional punishment it could be a deterrent in its own right. Lord Parker, the Lord Chief Justice, came close to this idea when he said recently that the police are apt to rely on an example provided by a famous Mayfair case of the thirties in which a diamond merchant was beaten up and left for dead.

And to the abolitionist cry of "Revenge or reform" one feels, in the light of present conditions, obliged to inquire: In which lies the greater safety for the defenceless citizen?

In the police mind there is no doubt.

(London Express Service).

## Britain's first atomic captain tells of the strange underwater life now being planned for 85 men...

By TOM POCOCK

A YOUNG man has been choosing the colour scheme for his new home. He is choosing it with particular care because for weeks or even months on end he may have to remain, as it were, indoors. This young man is certainly a member of the New Elite, but, unlike those who figured in this newspaper last week, his interest in such things as interior decoration is purely incidental.

At 35, Barnaby Samborne, Commander RN, is captain-designate of Britain's first nuclear submarine, the Dreadnought. The interior decoration of his ship—atomic propulsion raises a submarine's status from that of boat—is only one of many problems now facing Samborne. But it is an important one.

Recently he completed picking the key members of his crew of 10 officers and 75 ratings with particular care, because it is on the endurance of these men and not of the machinery and the fuel supply that the Dreadnought will depend.

## Depths

The Dreadnought will be a cannibal submarine, and she is designed to cruise at very great depths for many weeks on end—it could be months—stalking

rocket-launching or torpedo-firing submarines of her own breed.

The nuclear fuel supply is virtually inexhaustible, fresh air can be continually manufactured on board and vast stocks of concentrated food can be carried. So it is the health, happiness and efficiency of the men that must be so carefully maintained.

Commander Samborne, who himself spent eight months in the American nuclear submarine Skipjack, has been telling me

about life as it will be lived in the Dreadnought next year. "We will make the living quarters as much like home as possible," he said. "There will be no visible machinery or pipes in the mess decks or wardroom. Instead there will be armchairs and settees with bright-coloured plastic covers, but not too much like an Espresso bar."

## Music

"Each rating will have his own rubber bunk with individual ventilation. Pin-ups will only be allowed on the bulkheads if they are properly framed. Even in harbour we will live on board."

Samborne will reverse the usual war patrol rule of sleeping during the day while submerged. This is partly for operational reasons, partly because it should reduce the feeling of isolation while diving, perhaps hundreds of feet beneath the Arctic ice.

The daily routine will be as on the surface with the rum ration at noon. A ship's newspaper may be produced every morning and there will be a different film show every night—until the stocks run out—in two sittings.

## In touch

During the day tape-recorded music will be broadcast throughout the submarine. What music will be reverberating in the Atlantic deeps? "Sailors enjoy the pop tunes for about a week in a submarine," said Samborne. "But after that they prefer light classical music."

When off watch the crew will be encouraged to work for promotions exams, take correspondence courses and read—"we will join a couple of book clubs."

Handicraft equipment will also be provided—"but we must be careful not to have 30 people making rugs at the same time." More important will be family welfare. The Dreadnought is likely to dive off her home port and then literally disappear from the face of the earth until she surfaces at the end of her cruise.

An information service will therefore be provided for the

crew's families and whenever possible they will be told where the ship is and the exact details of her timetable.

Physical health will be carefully watched. With Samborne I met the ship's doctor, Surgeon Lieutenant Roger Lambert. He must purify the artificial air which can be contaminated over long periods by the smell of paint, floor and chrome polish, glue, duplicating-machine fluid, cigarette smoke and so on.

When the ship is at speed life in her may be violent. For controls, Samborne told me, will be something like an aircraft's and some men will have to be strapped to their action stations as the submarine swoops in the depths. But ordinary exercises these can be none. "Go," said Lambert, "we will install some of these electronic slimming machines women use."

Would there be any danger of radiation from the nuclear engines? I asked.

"There will be somewhat less radiation in the submarine than you would get on the surface from the sun," explained the

doctor. "Almost all our atomic waste will be extracted at the base by experts and the very small amount we ditch in the sea will be released under the most meticulous regulations."

The average age of the crew will be 28, higher than in other submarines, and all but one storeman will be experienced submariners. At present four officers and four senior ratings are training in American nuclear submarines but, as from next year, crews will train in the Dreadnought herself.

## Ordinary

Already three more submarine commanders have begun their nuclear training.

In the United States navy, nuclear submariners are being publicised as a corps d'élite.

Will the Royal Navy provide British nuclear submariners with a special badge, ex-a pay or a publicity campaign?

"Good heavens, no," said the Dreadnought's captain. "We will just be ordinary sailors."

(London Express Service).

## NOW MISS AMERICA FIGHTS THE 'SNOB' INVASION

From HENRY LOWRIE

New York.

THE battle of the secretaries was joined recently. American girls, furious at the news that 500 girls are being imported from Britain in the next few months, are trying to brush off the invasion as a joke.

Said Catherine Pilling, former president of Secretaries of America, Inc., an elite corps of girls employed by celebrities: "Some bosses have to have sensationalism in their job. They need a 'different' secretary."

## Salaries

"An English accent is a big attraction to some people but it is strictly snob appeal."

More anxious was Lydia Noni, Hawaiian chapter president of the National Secretaries Association which claims 20,000 members.

She protested: "Many of our girls are looking for executive jobs and it would be unfair to

by-pass them in favour of girls from overseas."

"There are many qualified, well-trained American girls. If employers would only look in the right places such as better business schools and colleges."

What makes a good secretary? David Wexler, of the Austin Executive Personnel Agency, New York, who promised to find jobs for these 500 British girls, says:

"An executive secretary takes 100 to 120 words a minute in shorthand and types 60 words a minute. She gets from \$85 to \$125 a week."

"Our girls just refuse to go back to school to improve their shorthand and typing."

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"Anybody here ride the last horse in the last race?"

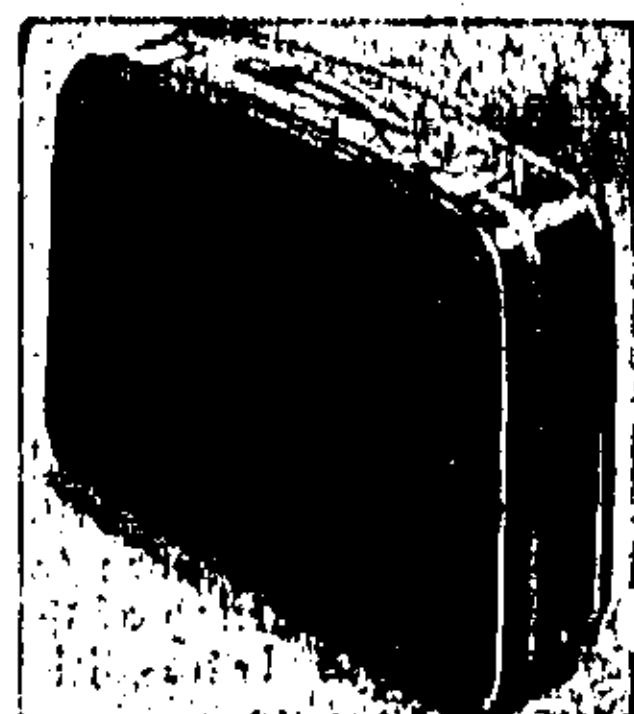
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# WOMANSENSE

## SPACE AGE LUGGAGE

By ELIZABETH DICKSON



(above) SUPER-LUXURY LOOK: It's made from magnesium and fibreglass for strength and lightness.



London.

At last there's something new in luggage. Since the early days of the Gladstone Bag, this much-neglected accessory has been given no chance to catch up with fashion.

And until now even the most elegant traveller has been known to have her reputation ruined by the sight of brown paper parcels, a pile of tired suitcases and a battered hold-all being loaded into the guard's van.

Metal luggage comes from New York. Silver and streamlined in appearance, it has everything one associates with space travel. The metal is new magnesium, which is the same stuff as an airplane is made of, and the recessed locks and hinges are impossible to break off.

You can jump on it, throw it out of the window and leave it out in the rain, yet it will be as good as new. The colours include tan, Oxford grey or blue, and white with a toning lining.

Definitely in the tycoon bracket, the price is too out of this world for the casual traveller—from £15 for a beauty case fitted out with cosmetic bottles and mirror, to £28 for a man's three-suit case and £12 for a 21-inch week-end case.

(left) PERFECT WEEK-END GRIP FOR MEN when money and indulgence are no object. In dark brown, thick-grained leather, it has a light-weight frame and reinforced handle.

### Cowskin

MORE trends in jet-age travel? Invest in South African cowskin—made up complete with brown and white fur into luxury suitcases and imported from Madrid.

Sir Carol Reed has bought a set of saddle-stitched leather luggage, hand-made in Vienna. Or you can go along with Margaret Leighton—another well-known transatlantic traveller—and have pale, washable suitcases in leather.

The Oscar Hammersteins now in London to launch yet another musical, travel everywhere by air and plump for lightweight fibreglass luggage. They chose palest beige and take eight pieces between them.

A soft-top case, laminated with fibreglass, comes in bright red or Breton blue and is fully-lined in moiré silk.

Another version comes in an omelette, colour covered in Irish linen and lined in cotton.

Another popular make is the Globetrotter holiday case in vulcanised fibre—ordinary cloth gone through a toughening-up process.



Photograph by JOHN COLE

GOOD LOOKS that were made for each other: the slim, pale look in luggage and the slim, pale look in fashion. Ready to make her spectacular exit, the traveller rests on fibreglass suitcases. The beauty case is omelette fitted.

While leather is still the hallmark of a travelling glamour girl, Top model girl Rosalind Watkins carries around a Black Watch tartan zip bag with white leather trimmings.

## Part 2 Bachelor Girl's Mission To Moscow

By ALINE MOSBY

(This is the second of three dispatches by an American girl working in Moscow. Part 3, published tomorrow describes her first "date" with a Russian.)

Moscow. The best-selling book among foreigners in Moscow is a catalogue from a big department store in Copenhagen.

Russians, confident in their growing economy, predict that within two years, foreigners who live in Moscow won't have to import anything.

But today, at least, we are "remote control" shoppers. The government lets us live in the style to which we're accustomed, liberally allowing us to import virtually duty-free food from English marmalade to Italian spaghetti.

Via mail order, I buy canned goods as the Russians do. Yes, most fresh fruit and vegetables have vanished from the market for the winter, and the milk brought to my door every morning by a smiling girl in a blue uniform is powdered. Eggs are 15 U.S. cents each.

But there are wonderful treats if you venture into the crowded stores and markets. Russian bread is very tasty (13½ U.S. cents for an average size white loaf at the tourist exchange rate rate of 10 rubles to U.S.\$1.) So is "pelmeny," like ravioli.

Canned vegetables are expensive, but canned stuffed cabbage from Bulgaria for 42 U.S. cents is a good buy. Russian beefsteaks don't taste like the Kansas variety. But they're tender if broiled on my portable American electric broiler. Russian stoves, like European types, don't sport broilers. Chickens, I found to my dismay, from even the fanciest food store come not only with the insides intact but with head and feet still dangling.

In summer, I can walk nearly a mile to a "free" outdoor public market where elderly women in kerchiefs sell fruits and vegetables.

Many embassy wives cling to imported goods, but you miss the fun if you don't shop for

bles at their own, not the state's, prices.

Cleaning items such as scouring powder must come from abroad. But getting my maid, Tonya—a wonderful girl with a timeless Russian face and sturdy body—to use these new-fangled gadgets is another matter. Tonya can't be wooed from the Russian traditions: soda to wash floors, gasoline to wash windows, a broom instead of the vacuum cleaner, and no soap, just water, to wash dishes.

She takes my sheets to a laundry down the street. For some mysterious reason, from the very first they came back a lovely shade of grey. I haven't got around to trying the dry cleaners yet, some foreigners ship their soiled clothes to Helsinki.

Tonya also carries out an astonishing Russian household custom—sealing windows shut with paper and cornstarch glue to keep the winter cold out.

Russians are more expert at the cosmos than cosmetics, so I brought a load of lipsticks and rely on tourists to replenish the supply. There's a staggering import duty on cosmetics.

But we can import a small amount of clothing and bring all we want from trips abroad. Russian stores are well stocked with clothing these days, but not the Paris-inspired styles I'm used to. Lingerie and stockings are expensive. What I have my eye on are the handsome white felt boots the peasants wear.

Living here can be an economical fashion advantage, however. Foreign fashions in Moscow have a client base to wear last year's styles, and nobody knows the difference.

## LADY LUCK

your CHINA MAIL horoscope

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30

**AQUARIUS** (January 21-February 19): On learning that a friend with whom you have fallen out has had some very bad luck, stifle your pride and offer your help in spite of the period of estrangement.

**PISCES** (February 20-March 20): If you need some very specialised information, you must persevere in your search for the right source. It may not be as easy as it might seem.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Before sitting down to an important meeting, make sure you have all the necessary data at your finger tips and won't be embarrassed by unexpected questions.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): You may have a problem about which you are hesitating to consult your friends. A close member of your family will prove the right person to help you.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21): You will be amused to be given a piece of news in strictest confidence which you have known about for some time.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 21): It would be quite useless to try and force a person to like you, but by being pleasant and natural you should eventually achieve some degree of harmony in your relationship.

**LEO** (July 22-August 21): Some very young people

will give you a great deal of satisfaction by confessing how much they enjoy your company.

**VIRGO** (August 22-September 22): By consulting a friend about a highly confidential matter you will flatter him into giving you his valuable advice.

**LIBRA** (September 23-October 22): By defying convention you may enjoy a short spell of excitement, but in the long run it cannot bring you true happiness.

**SCORPIO** (October 23-November 21): If you feel that certain changes at your work would be beneficial, don't hesitate to submit your idea to the person who makes the decisions.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22-December 21): By using a little tact you will be just in time to avert an unpleasant controversy in your close family circle.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22-January 20): An elderly neighbour will be very grateful to you for showing some special consideration at little sacrifice of your time or money.

**YOUR LUCKY CARD:** If today is your birthday, your lucky card, no matter what game you may be playing, ought to be the JACK OF SPADES.

## JACOBY on BRIDGE

**NORTH** and South bid astutely to reach six clubs against the strong spade bidding by East and West.

South's three-spade bid is particularly worthy of attention. His partner's no-trump overall had shown opening no-trump strength and South visualised slam possibilities right off the bat. Then North's six-club bid was based on the fact that his 10 points seemed to be made up of just the right cards to help his partner.

West considered saving at six spades, but came up with a better idea. If he could just get his partner in the lead he could ruff a heart. Therefore West passed and opened the four of spades.

### ♥ ♣ CARD SENSE ♠

Q—The bidding has been:  
North East South West  
1♦ Pass 2♥ Pass  
2NT Pass  
You, South, hold:  
♠ A K 10 5 4 ♡ A Q 8 5 3 2

What do you do?  
A—Bid three diamonds. You have shown a very big hand. Now keep the bidding low and get more information below the same level.

**TODAY'S QUESTION**  
Your partner rebids to four diamonds. What do you do now?  
Answer Tomorrow

NORTH		EAST	
♠	Q 8 3	♠	J 7 6 2
♥	K Q 4	♥	9 8 5 3 2
♦	A J 8	♦	Q 6
♣	A J 9 6	♣	7 2
WEST (D)		SOUTH	
♠	A K 9 5 4	♠	10
♥	None	♥	A J 10 7 6
♦	K 10 9 7 4 3	♦	8 2
♣	5 4	♣	K Q 10 8 3

North and South vulnerable.  
West, North East South  
♠ N.T. 2♦ 3♣  
Double Pass Pass 4♥  
4♠ Pass Pass 5♣  
Pass 6♣ Pass Pass  
Opening lead—4♣

South played low from dummy without stopping to think the situation over and East put on the jack.

East was flabbergasted when it held, but not too flabbergasted to lead back a heart for a ruff.

Of course, South had no reason not to play the queen of spades from dummy at trick one, but just how many of you readers would have fallen into the same trap?

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

### Tiny Jumbolette

—Mr. Punch Tells The Shadows A Mousey Story—

By MAX TRELL

"YOU'VE both heard of Jumbo, the Elephant, haven't you?" Mr. Punch asked Knarf and Hand, the Shadow Children with the Turned-About Names.

Mr. Punch was sitting comfortably in his rocking chair by the sunny window. Knarf and Hand were sitting on the floor. It was Knarf who had asked Mr. Punch whether he had ever ridden on the back of an Elephant. That's when, Mr. Punch had answered that he had several times ridden on the back of Jumbo, the Elephant.

#### All called Jumbo

Knarf and Hand said they thought all Elephants were called Jumbo. "Not at all, not at all, my dears," said Mr. Punch, shaking his head. "Jumbo was a very special Elephant. He belonged to a circus. I was a very small boy when I first met Jumbo. I fed him fresh roasted peanuts and he let me ride on his back."

"Was it fun?" Hand asked Mr. Punch. "It was great fun," said Mr. Punch. "It was like sailing in a rowboat in the middle of the ocean during a storm."

#### Was it rough?

"Oh, you mean it was rough?" asked Hand. Mr. Punch smiled. "Jumbo was an enormous Elephant. He waddled along like a

whole flock of Ducks. He tried not to shake me up, of course, while I was riding on his back. But he just couldn't help it. "I'm just too big," Jumbo said. "I told Jumbo one day, after I had taken a particularly rough ride on his back, that I wished he knew some Elephant who was so small that I could give the Elephant a ride on my back."

#### Just joking

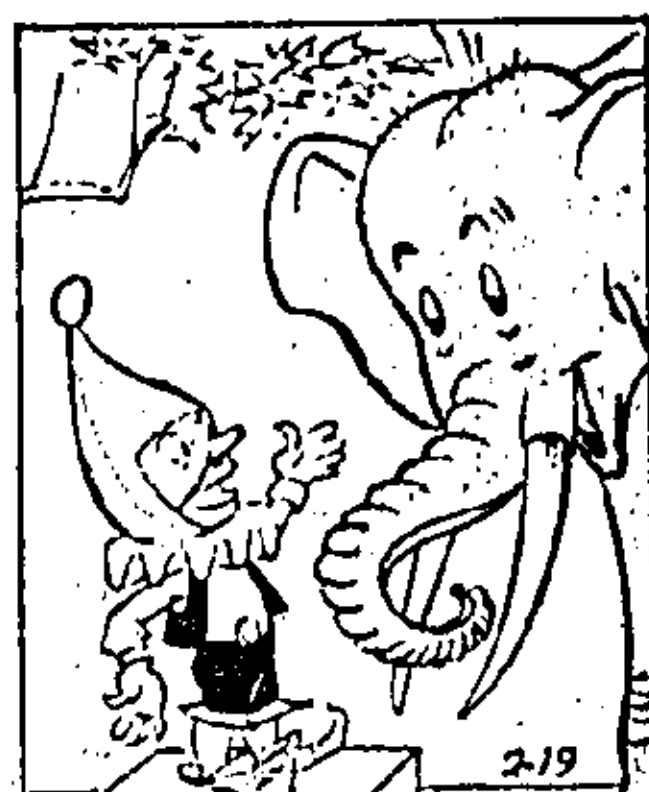
"I don't have to tell you that I was joking. But, to my surprise, Jumbo just stood there, nodding his great head and waving his long nose or rather his trunk."

"Come with me, Punch," Jumbo finally said. "Did you go with him, Mr. Punch?" Knarf asked. "You didn't really believe that he was going to show you an Elephant small enough to ride on your back, did you?"

"I didn't know what to think," said Mr. Punch. "So I followed Jumbo. We walked for a little while and then we came to a pile of hay."

"Jumbolette lives in here," Jumbo told me. "That's her name." "Then he pushed the pile of hay aside. I heard a little squeaking voice saying, 'Hello! And then I saw Jumbolette!'"

Knarf and Hand were so excited by this story that they both sprang to their feet and hugged



"Come with me," Jumbo said to Mr. Punch.

Mr. Punch. They could hardly wait for him to tell them more about little Jumbolette, the Tiny Elephant, who was so small that she could ride on Mr. Punch's back.

"She looked like an Elephant all right," Mr. Punch went on, "and she certainly was tiny."

#### Everything tiny

"No bigger than a Mouse," replied Mr. Punch. "She had tiny feet and tiny eyes and tiny ears. Her trunk was tiny, too."

"How tiny?" Knarf asked again. "Well," said Mr. Punch, "Jumbolette's trunk wasn't much bigger than a Mouse's nose."

Here Hand said: "And her feet weren't much bigger than a Mouse's feet, were they, Mr. Punch?"

"No," said Mr. Punch, "they weren't."

"And her eyes," Hand went on, "weren't much bigger than a Mouse's eyes? And her ears weren't much bigger than a Mouse's ears?"

"No, they weren't," Mr. Punch agreed.

Was she a mouse? "Maybe," said Hand, smiling. "Jumbolette was a Mouse!"

"You know," Mr. Punch said, also smiling, "that's what I've often thought. Maybe she wasn't an Elephant at all. Maybe she was just a Mouse."

"But I gave her a ride on my back just the same. She really enjoyed it. And after that I gave her a peanut. She enjoyed eating that peanut—yes, just as much as the biggest Elephant in the world!"

And Mr. Punch kept on smiling as he sat in his rocking chair by the sunny window.

### Rupert and the Windies—41



After hurrying through the darkness the hedge glides to a stop in what looks like a cloud and to Rupert's astonishment they are back on the Windies' home. At an urgent shout from Santa Claus the little creatures crowd around. "Don't look so worried," calls the old gentleman. "I know all about this racket. It has gone for good, blown away by a dragon. So that little Peke succeeded!" cries the Windies' leader. "Wonderful. You're a hero! See, here's the stick you left behind when you set out."

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# Test match gamble by W. Indies

## DECLARE FIRST INNINGS AT 338 FOR EIGHT — 55 RUNS BEHIND

Port of Spain, Mar. 29.

After England's pace bowlers, Alan Moss and Freddie Trueman, had broken through the middle batting with a fine spell of new-ball bowling, West Indies declared their first innings 55 runs behind on the fourth day of the fifth and last cricket Test here today.

Replying to England's 393, West Indies declared at 338 for eight. By the close England had made 18 for one in their second innings.

Gerry Alexander's decision to declare was probably the only course left open to him if West Indies are to have a chance of winning the match and squaring the series at one-all. England need to be dismissed cheaply and his gamble was partly successful for Colin Cowdrey, who made a century in the first innings, was out for a "duck."

The West Indies were in a comfortable position at lunch today with 215 for three and Garfield Sobers still there. But Moss and Trueman captured three wickets for the addition of only 15 runs after the interval. Moss took the wickets of Kanhai and Sobers, who made 92, in one over to record his first Test success of the series.

### Returned

The end seemed near, but Conrad Hunte, who retired on Saturday with a head injury when 12, returned to check England with 72 not out.

Sobers batted five hours, 16 minutes for his 92 which included nine fours. He needed only eight more runs to bring his first century in Test cricket. He has aggregated 660 runs in the series.

Once he had gone and another wicket fell to Dexter, making seven out for 203, West Indies appeared to have little hope of reaching England's total. But a bright eighth-inning stand of 65 in quick time between Hunte and Lesley Hall, who made 29, crowded the gap considerably.

There was a dramatic start to England's second innings. Cowdrey, playing a casual stroke, hit a medium-paced ball from Hall straight into the hands of Worrell at backward short leg.

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## Manchester United coming to Hongkong

By A CHINA MAIL REPORTER

Manchester United, the famous British football team will visit Hongkong soon. This was announced today at a press conference, by Mr A. P. Moore, Managing Director of Asian Pools. Mr Moore said that he had just received a cable from the team's manager confirming acceptance of the offer. Mr Moore said that the trip which will be sponsored and organised by Asian Pools Ltd will eventually probably early next season.

### Purpose of trip

He added that the purpose of the trip is purely to stimulate the standard of football in Hongkong. Mr Moore also told the press conference that veteran Hongkong soccer star Lee Wai-tong has been appointed to the board of directors of the Asian Pools. Mr Lee, one of Hongkong's most popular sporting figures, represented China at football in the 1936 Berlin Olympics.

### Tan Joe-hok heads challenge for U.S. title

Chicago, Mar. 29. Tan Joe-hok, of Indonesia, leads the challenge in the men's singles in the United States Open Badminton Championships which begin here on Thursday. His main opposition is expected to come from Choren Wattanasin, of Thailand, and Finn Kobberø, of Denmark. A total of 200 players will compete in the men's and women's singles and doubles events during the three days of competition. Lin Shy-hup and Teh Kow-san of Malaya will defend their men's doubles title. —Reuter.

## Olympic cards will entitle Rome Games participants to special privileges

Rome, Mar. 29.

The estimated 20,000 athletes, officials and journalists from 83 countries coming here for the XVIIIth Olympic Games next August will be allowed to enter Italy without passports.

Organisers have announced that each participant in the Games, which open here on August 25, will only have to show frontier officials the Olympic card, which will shortly be sent to all who are taking part.

The card will also allow free travel on Rome's tramway and bus network, as well as free entrance to the city's museums and art galleries. It will also be valid as a temporary licence to carry firearms for sports purposes.

### Four colours

Printed on stiff plastic to protect it from being accidentally torn up, the card, has four pages and will be printed in four colours to distinguish the categories of holders. White cards will go to "VIP" members of the International Olympic Committee and top officials of the National Olympic Committees of each country. Judges, referees and timekeepers will get blue cards. Journalists and cameramen will have pink ones.

The athletes themselves will be sent green cards, as will also their team officials, doctors, masseurs, gunsmiths, boatmen, grocers and the many other members of the retinue of the world's top sportsmen.

Organisers say that the cards will be valid for four months, from June to September 30, and will "probably" be valid also as entry visas and residence permits for the nationals of those countries with whom Italy has not yet signed a mutual agreement abolishing the need for visas.

Nationals of many countries outside Western Europe still need visas to enter Italy. They must also have residence permits if they stay here longer than three months. — China Mail Special.

Paris, Mar. 29. Two further countries, Malaya and China today entered for the French Badminton Championships, starting here on April 1. The Malayan team will be Lee Kim-lat, Lim Siang-keng, Jimmy Lim, Heng Hock-heng and Mike Barbara Lim.

The Chinese will play Mrs Fui Min-ho, Miss A. M. Wong. There will also be an Indonesian lady entrant, Mrs Yvonne Sonnevillie. — AFP.

Tokyo, Mar. 29. The Moscow Spartak soccer team flew back home from Peking today with a record of six wins, two draws and two defeats against Chinese eleven during a one month tour of the China mainland.

Peking Radio said the Russians netted 19 goals and yielded only eight in 10 matches. — AP.

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## Birmingham hold Barcelona to a draw

Birmingham, Mar. 29. Birmingham City and Barcelona, the Spanish champions, bottled to a goalless draw in the mud of St Andrew's ground here tonight in the first leg of the final of the Inter-Cities Fairs Soccer Cup.

The second leg will be played in Barcelona on May 4.

It was a fine performance by Birmingham to hold the star-studded Spanish side, as the English club are struggling one place from bottom in the first division.

After a day of incessant rain, the pitch was practically one big puddle in the middle, and did not suit Barcelona, but the quality of football delighted the crowd of 40,500.

### MORE SKILFUL

Barcelona, whose team showed only one change from the side which recently knocked English champions, Wolverhampton Wanderers, out of the European Cup, were individually much more skilful. But the Midlands club countered that with typical British football — hard tackling, sound covering and long passing.

The Spaniards interchanged constantly in a vain effort to pierce the home defence, which was well marshalled by Trevor Smith, the centre-half discarded by England. — Reuter.

## Botvinnik loses again to Tahl

Moscow, Mar. 29. Mikhail Tahl, young Latvian grandmaster, defeated champion Mikhail Botvinnik in the seventh game of their match for the World Chess Championship today. The challenger's victory came on the 52nd move, Tass reported.

Tahl now leads in the series by five points to two. — AP.

## Changes likely in English Football League set-up

By ARCHIE QUICK

The Third and Fourth Division set-up of the English Football League looks like collapsing after only two seasons! And that is exactly what everybody told the League Management Committee would happen when they inaugurated the new system at the beginning of the 1958-59 season.

It was obvious to all but the legislators that elimination of the geographical barriers would impose unbearable financial strain on little clubs in the extreme North and South in the matter of travelling and hotel expenses. Now many of them have got to breaking point — and there is worse to come.

When the old Third North and South Sections were done away with, the Third and Fourth Divisions started off with exactly twelve Southern and twelve Northern clubs, in each with a four-up and four-down promotion and relegation scheme.

The balance tipped at the end of the first season when four Northern clubs, Rochdale, Doncaster Rovers, and Notts County went down and three Southern and a Northern club went up — Port Vale, Coventry, York and Shrewsbury. That made 15 Northern clubs out of 24 in the Fourth Division.

This skewed the scales may be even more heavily weighted in the South's favour, as any four of Accrington, Wrexham, Mansfield, Chester, and Tranmere could be relegated.

From among Millwall, Walsall, Notts County, Torquay, Watford, Exeter or Gillingham could come the four to replace the four relegated in the Fourth Division would be nineteen from the North and five from the South. Plus, of course, the two non-League clubs whom it is proposed to elect. One would certainly be the South's/Peterborough.

These five Southern clubs — perhaps Northampton, Aldershot, who are the only two in the Fourth Division of the table, and three others. Imagine the chipping expenses they would have to bear, travelling to the far North for all but four of their away games! Twenty long distance journeys, many of them overnight.

A month ago I revealed that the door might be opened to more than two non-League clubs, and this week when I met League President, Mr Joe Richards, he hinted that the annual meeting might overhaul the present system.

Back of the Committee's mind, I believe, is the scrapping of the Fourth Division and the substitution of a Third Division, divided into three Sections — North, South and Midlands.

### 66 Clubs

The number of clubs for each division would be the same as Divisions One and Two, that is, 22. So 66 clubs would be needed to complete it, and, as there are only at present forty-eight Third and Fourth Division clubs that would mean "Open Season" to eighteen non-League sides, six each from the North, South and Midlands. There would be plenty of starters for the vacancies, I assure you.

The point at issue would then be: "How many from each Section each season for promotion to Division Two?" I expect it would be only one, although the game is crying out for more up and down each season to revive flagging interest towards the end of the season. That would mean geographical troubles again!

## Dave Charnley wins European boxing title on a misunderstanding

London, Mar. 29.

Dave Charnley, British and British Empire lightweight champion, tonight took the European title from Mario Vecchiato of Italy on a misunderstanding between Belgian referee Joseph De Backer and the Italian fighter.

The referee stopped the contest after 47 seconds of the tenth round and announced that the Italian had retired after being knocked down for counts of seven and two.

But immediately after the fight Vecchiato said: "I lifted my hand as a signal to the referee to go on counting up to the compulsory figure of eight on Continental rules."

"The referee took it as a sign of retirement, but I wanted to go on."

Referee De Backer stuck by his decision. There was little between the fighters on points as the tenth round started.

Then Charnley, third ranked challenger for world champion Joe Brown's title, whipped Vecchiato crumbling to the canvas for a count of seven.

The 29-year-old Italian scrambled to his feet, only to rush into another bull-like attack that sent him down for another count of two.

Again he got to his feet and then Belgian referee Joseph De Backer separated the two fighters and the public address system announced that Vecchiato had retired. — AP.

## A SON FOR COWDREY

Port of Spain, Mar. 29. Colin Cowdrey, England Test cricket captain, today received a cable from Britain that his wife had given birth to a son. He is flying home at the end of the present Test match with bowler Freddie Trueman, whose wife is also expecting a child. — China Mail Special.

## ENTRIES FOR GENEVA MOTOR RALLY

Geneva, Mar. 29. The German Mercedes team which took the first, second and fourth places in January's Monte Carlo Rally have entered for the Geneva International Automobile Rally to be held on April 7 to 9.

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## Sports Diary

TO-DAY  
Boxing: First match between HKFA and CAAP (13) 5.45 p.m.

Hockey: England v Commonwealth (12) 7.30 p.m.  
Pakistan (Raccolto) both matches at 5.30 p.m.

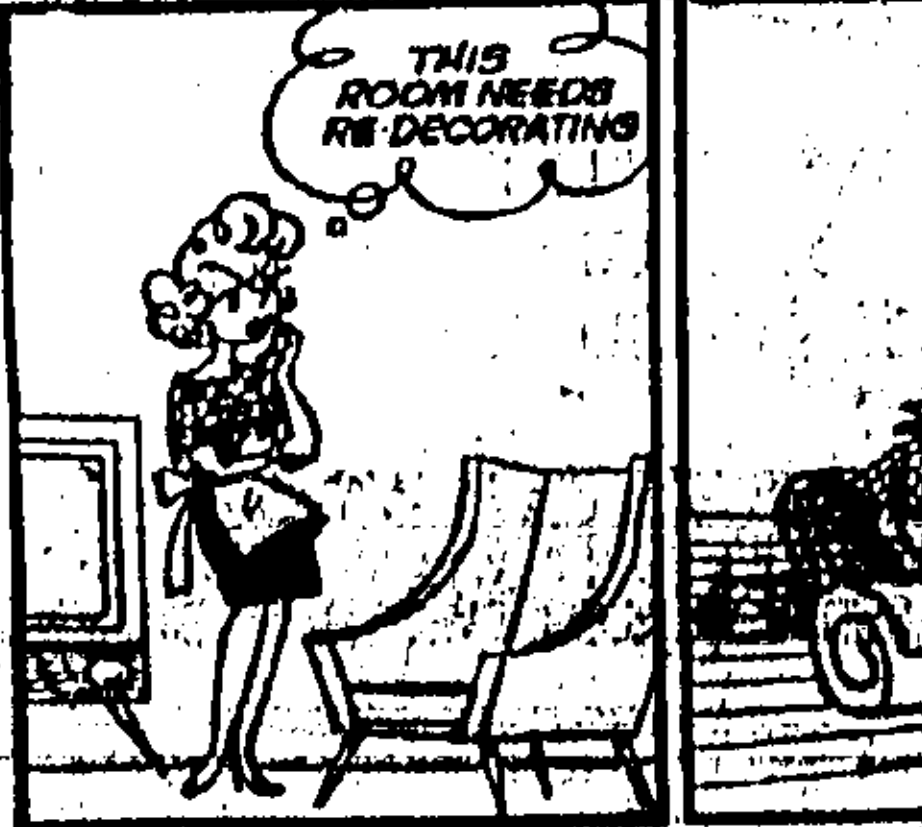
Athletics: Second day of Inter-School Championships, 11 A.C. Stadium, 3 p.m.

## CHESS

LEONARD BARDEN

Angel Haygarth, of Leeds, was surprise packet of the 8th Championship. Here he has defeated Stuart Milner-Barry one of our finest attacking players with his own weapons. White: Milner-Barry. Black: Haygarth. 1. P-K4. 2. P-B3. 3. P-K3. 4. K-B3. 5. K-K3. 6. K-K3. 7. B-K2. 8. B-K2. 9. B-K2. 10. B-K2. 11. B-K2. 12. B-K2. 13. B-K2. 14. B-K2. 15. B-K2. 16. B-K2. 17. B-K2. 18. B-K2. 19. B-K2. 20. B-K2. 21. B-K2. 22. B-K2. 23. B-K2. 24. B-K2. 25. B-K2. 26. B-K2. 27. B-K2. 28. B-K2. 29. B-K2. 30. B-K2. 31. B-K2. 32. B-K2. 33. B-K2. 34. B-K2. 35. B-K2. 36. B-K2. 37. B-K2. 38. B-K2. 39. B-K2. 40. B-K2. 41. B-K2. 42. B-K2. 43. B-K2. 44. B-K2. 45. B-K2. 46. B-K2. 47. B-K2. 48. B-K2. 49. B-K2. 50. B-K2. 51. B-K2. 52. B-K2. 53. B-K2. 54. B-K2. 55. B-K2. 56. B-K2. 57. B-K2. 58. B-K2. 59. B-K2. 60. B-K2. 61. B-K2. 62. B-K2. 63. B-K2. 64. B-K2. 65. B-K2. 66. B-K2. 67. B-K2. 68. B-K2. 69. B-K2. 70. B-K2. 71. B-K2. 72. B-K2. 73. B-K2. 74. B-K2. 75. B-K2. 76. B-K2. 77. B-K2. 78. B-K2. 79. B-K2. 80. B-K2. 81. B-K2. 82. B-K2. 83. B-K2. 84. B-K2. 85. B-K2. 86. B-K2. 87. B-K2. 88. B-K2. 89. B-K2. 90. B-K2. 91. B-K2. 92. B-K2. 93. B-K2. 94. B-K2. 95. B-K2. 96. B-K2. 97. B-K2. 98. B-K2. 99. B-K2. 100. B-K2.

## THE GAMBOLS



## by Barry Appleby

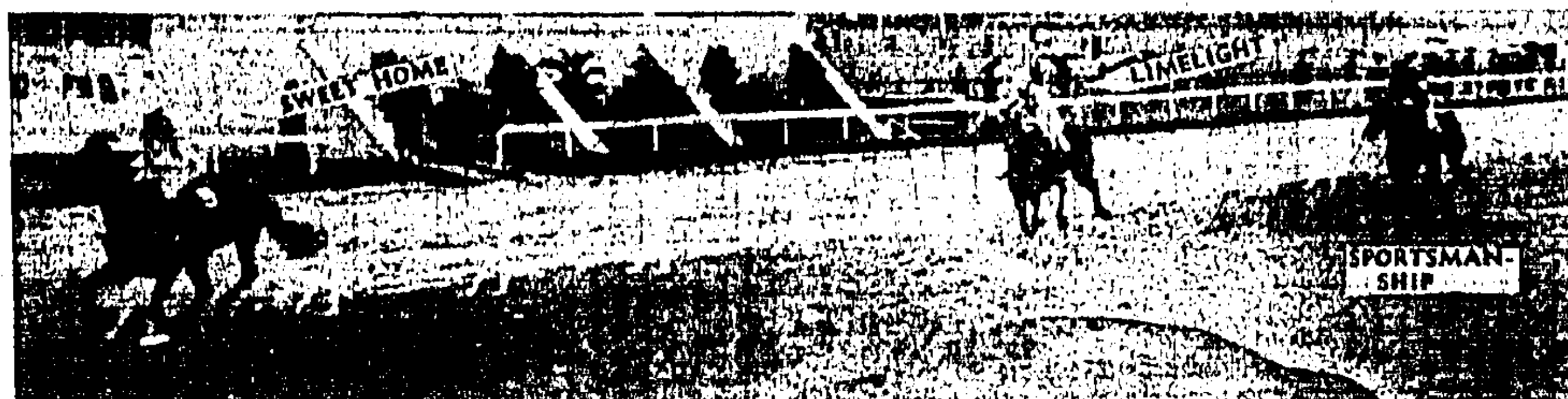


## GAS IS TOPS





## SPORTS PICTORIAL



Mr Chi Chuang-hsu's Sweet Home, ridden by Starr Liu, boasts home to an easy eight-length win in the one and quarter mile Cheshire Handicap to produce the biggest upset at last Saturday's Race Meeting at the Valley. The winner paid \$100.90 for a win and \$23.30 for a place.—China Mail photo.



Ki Wong-long of South China Athletic Association clears the bar with plenty to spare in the pole vault event at the Colony Open Athletic Championships held last Sunday at the Hongkong Stadium. Ki won the event with a height of 10 ft 9 3/4 ins.—China Mail photo.



The first three in the women's 100 metres event at the Colony Athletic Championships on Sunday. They are Chung Po-ling (second), Ng Shuet-kwai (first) and Kan Wai-kit (third), all from SCAA. Ng's winning time was 13.6 seconds. During the day Ng also won the long jump event with a Colony record leap of 16 ft 11 1/2 ins.—China Mail Photo.

RIGHT: The main event at the Valley last Saturday—the Sassoon Challenge Cup for Class 1 ponies over the distance of one mile—was won by Mr Chan Pak-suen's Lucky Number, whose strong finish enabled him to edge out the top favourite Fascination at the winning post by 1 1/2 lengths. A group photo after the presentation of the Cup shows: (from left) Messrs Robert Tsai, D. Black, H. R. Cleland, A. H. Foster, Mrs H. R. Cleland (who presented the Cup), Messrs Chan Pak-suen, A. H. Penn and D. Benson.—China Mail photo.



ABOVE: Denis Law, most expensive footballer in the English League, holds off the challenge by Leeds full-back Hair to shoot the ball past goalkeeper Burghin and score his first goal for his new team, Manchester City. Despite this goal, scored in the 25th minute after the start, City lost this first division match by 3-4 to Leeds, who were at home at Elland Road ground. During the week, Law was transferred from Huddersfield for the record League fee of £253,000.—Reuter-photo.

LEFT: The Army Basketball Championships both for Army boys and men were held last week. The men's event won by 26 Signal Regiment and the boys' by the Junior Leaders Regiment, Royal Engineers. Photo shows lively action in front of the basket during the men's final between the 26 Signal Regiment and the 2nd Bn Queen's Own Rifles of Canada. Cpl Gibson, captain of the Signals is seen leaping for a shot at the basket. The Royal Signals won by 49 points to 45.—Army News Service photo.



The Colony Open Badminton Championships concluded last Saturday at the Ladies' Recreation Club with a programme of four finals. Highlight of the evening was the fine display put up by the Philippine pair of Sy Khira-pae and Simeon Haw, who retained the men's doubles title for the third year in succession with an easy 15-4, 15-4 over the local pair of M. A. Ebrahim and George Ma. Photo shows Sy, making one of his point-winning smashes as Haw looks on.—China Mail photo.

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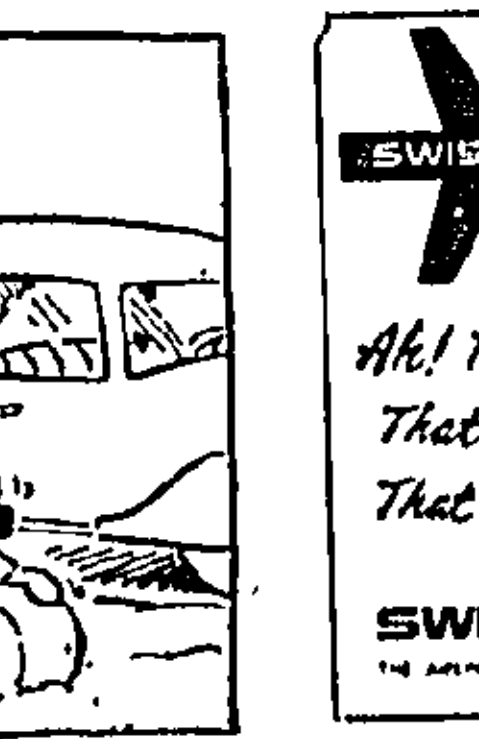
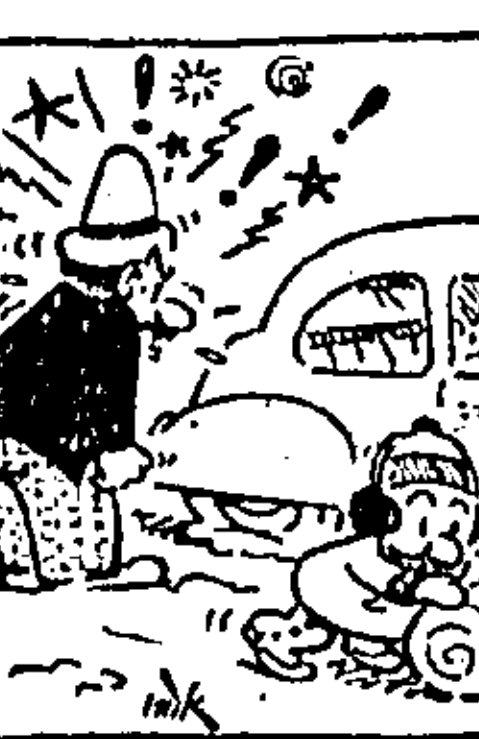
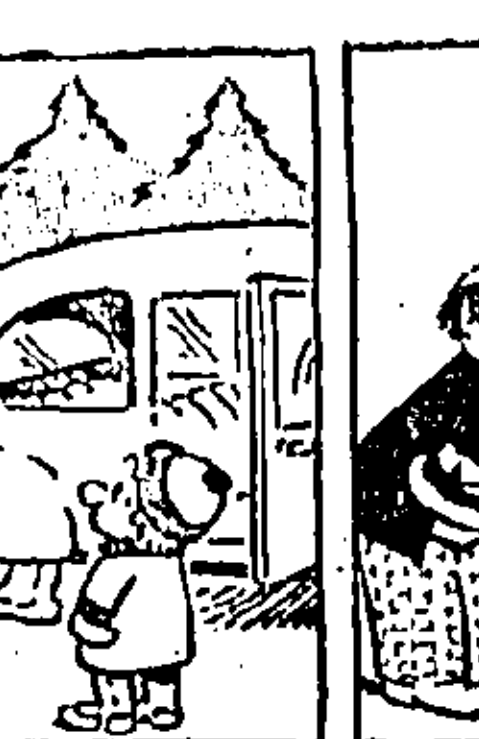
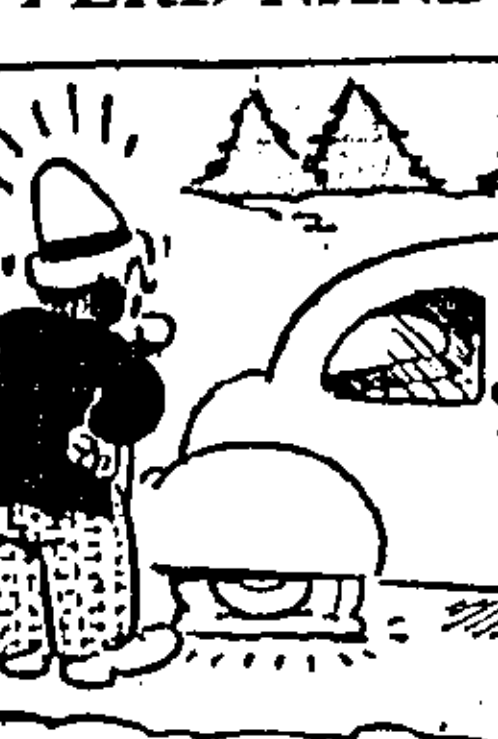


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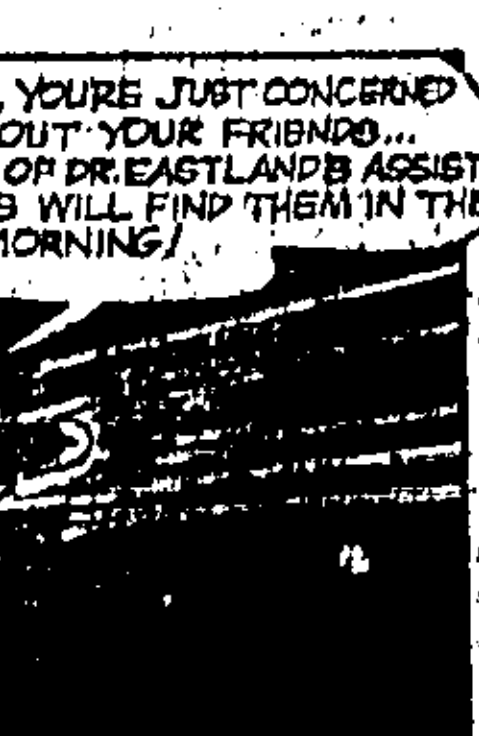
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# NEW U.S. TEXTILE ARGUMENT

*Figures don't agree with Hongkong*

Washington Mar. 29. The U.S. Department of Commerce raised a new point of argument today over imports of Hongkong textiles into the United States.

The Department released statistics on Hongkong's 1959 sales to the United States which differ sharply in some instances with those given out by Hongkong itself.

On some major items, the Hongkong figures are higher than those of the Commerce Department. Since Hongkong wants to use 1959 as the base year in determining a voluntary quota on exports to the United States, the higher the 1959 figures, the higher the annual quota.

These statistics were disclosed as U.S. officials reported they have been assured that Hongkong is preparing a more restrictive quota proposal. Hongkong's first proposal was rejected by the U.S. as being inadequate.

## Demand

The U.S. textile industry has demanded that tariff protection be given against this low-price competition. The Eisenhower Administration is trying to blunt these demands by pressing Hongkong to adopt voluntary quotas to curb and diversify its textile sales to the United States.

The quota issue, however, now becomes more complicated with the release of the Commerce Department figures.

The U.S. reports indicated that Hongkong made cotton clothing and cloth priced at about \$40,000,000 entered the U.S. market last year, compared with \$1,300,000 in 1956 and \$5,000,000 in 1957.

Fabrics alone jumped from 2,200,000 square yards in 1956

to 30,200,000 square yards last year, the report showed. Hongkong's statistics showed 1959 cotton textile exports to the United States totalling about \$61,000,000, according to U.S. officials. Hongkong claims the 1959 fabric figure was 10,700,000 square yards.

## Big shipments

Part of these discrepancies can be explained by the fact that some big shipments went into U.S. port warehouses toward the end of the year and were not counted as imports.

But there were big differences in the U.S. and Hongkong totals on some individual clothing items in which imports into U.S. warehouses also were counted.

The U.S. figure on imports of Hongkong sports shirts (not knitted) for 1959 was 1,022,895 dozen, the Hongkong report showed 818,074 dozen. Brassiere figures were about the same—U.S. 1,204,113 dozen, Hongkong 1,230,335 dozen. Pyjamas and nightwear totals were incomplete here, but the Hongkong total of 598,420 dozen was not much out of line with U.S. estimates.

## Disagreements

But there were big disagreements in figures on which quotas for two other major items would be based—blouses and blouse sets and shorts and trousers. The Hongkong figure on the blouse group was 1,694,180 dozen, the U.S. figure 1,306,819 dozen.

The Hongkong total on shorts and trousers was 2,421,960 dozen, the U.S. figure 1,578,047 dozen. —UPI.

## STAR FERRY CAR PARK FEATURE IN LONDON

London, Mar. 30. Photographs and drawings of the Hongkong Star Ferry course car park are featured in a London exhibition opened recently by the Minister of Transport, Mr Ernest Marples.

The "Car Parking" exhibition, the first of its kind in the world, is being staged by the British Road Federation to provide the local authorities in Britain with the unique opportunity of comparing their own needs — and their solutions — with those of other cities and towns. The exhibition has on display several hundred photographs, drawings, models and plans illustrating what is being done to provide multi-storey and underground parking garages in all parts of the world.—LPS.

## Photographer on \$15,000 forgery charges

The trial of Lui Chi, 43, photographer, of 19 Chinese Street, second floor, facing two charges of forgery involving \$15,000, began before Mr T. L. Yang at Central Magistracy this morning.

It is alleged that on or about September 24, 1959, the defendant, with intent to defraud, forged a document purporting to be a promissory note drawn in favour of Jaming Chen for the sum of \$15,000.

It is further alleged that on or about the same date, the defendant, with intent to defraud, forged a banker's cheque drawn in the name of Wong Bun for the sum of \$14,784.95.

## Alternative

The defendant also faces an alternative charge of obtaining valuable security by false pretences.

He is alleged to have obtained, with intent to defraud, from Messrs Wilkinson and Grist, Solicitors and Notaries, a valuable security, namely a banker's cheque, drawn in the name of Wong Bun for \$14,784.95, by falsely pretending that his name was Wong Bun.

The defendant pleads not guilty to the charges through his solicitor, Mr Robert Hindmarsh, of Messrs Stewart and Co.

Jaming Chen, alias Chen Wing-leung, proprietor of the Wing's Industrial Works, residing at 41 King's Road, first floor, testified that he had dealings with Wilkinson and Grist in the course of his career. He knew Lam Chun-kit, who was a clerk of that firm.

## A copy

Some time in September 1959 Lam told him that his friend, whose name he (witness) could not remember, wanted to secure a loan of \$15,000. He agreed to the loan and handed Lam a cheque for \$15,000. Lam gave him a receipt issued by the Wilkinson and Grist.

Mr Chen said Lam also gave him a copy of a promissory note and told him that the original copy was kept by his firm.

He said he had never seen a man named Wong Bun.

Hearing continues. Mr J. Bodilly, Crown Counsel, assisted by Detective Sub-Inspector Lai Kim-nung, is prosecuting.

## Thieves raid Tai Hang road flats

Thieves yesterday made a big clean up in a building in Tai Hang Road, stealing almost \$2,000 in cash and jewellery from two flats. They broke into 2A Peace Mansion, 2nd floor, Tai Hang Road at about 5 a.m. and stole a wrist watch, cash and jewellery to a total value of \$1,200. Earlier in the morning, thieves had broken into the ground floor of the same building and stole US\$100 and jewellery worth HK\$100.

## NUCLEAR TESTS

## Eisenhower, Macmillan announce moratorium

Gattysburg, Mar. 29. President Eisenhower and the British Prime Minister, Mr Harold Macmillan, announced today a conditional willingness to agree to a short term moratorium on small underground nuclear test.

The conditions were: That a treaty on all detectable tests first be signed and arrangements made for a joint research programme with the Soviet Union on detecting small underground tests.

A joint statement issued from Camp David where the two leaders have been conferring for the past two days said the President and the British Prime Minister had agreed to invite the Soviet Government to join at once in making arrangements for such a co-ordinated research programme and putting it into operation.

## COMPROMISE

Spokesmen said they hope this compromise proposition will speed negotiations at the Geneva nuclear test conference and that a treaty will be signed within 90 days.

A joint declaration by Mr Eisenhower and Mr Macmillan emphasised, however, that "a number of important specific problems" remain to be worked out with the Russians, including critical issues of control machinery.—Reuter and AP.

## RECORD PROFIT

The China Provident Co., Ltd. made a profit last year of HK\$2,627,835, Acting Chairman Mr N. V. A. Croucher announced today.

The figure, which is an all time record for the company, improved on the previous record by HK\$255,205. Mr Croucher told the fifty-ninth annual meeting that the company had sold their interests in the Sandokan Light and Power Co., Ltd., and the final payment would be received as soon as the tax position was finalised.

## FIVE CHILDREN LEAVE FOR NEW LIFE IN AMERICA

Five orphan children left by CPA this morning to begin a new life in the United States.

The children, three of them babies, have been adopted by parents in America through the Hongkong office of International Social Service.

The eldest of them was a 12-year-old boy whose father was killed by the Japanese during the war. His mother allowed him to be adopted by a distant relative in America so that he could have a better life.

A 10-year-old girl from a local orphanage was another who left this morning.

The three babies were about two years old, and have been in the care of temporary foster parents in Hongkong for the last few months. They will be travelling to their new homes under the care of Miss S. Ip, a CPA air hostess.

There were moving scenes at the airport as the European foster parents of one of the babies came to see the infant off.

Miss Jan Olivier of the International Social Service said the baby who is going to a European home in the States had been well taken care of by her temporary "Mum and Dad," and had put on six pounds.

Miss Olivier said "This is a splendid example of what temporary foster parents can do."

Meanwhile "Mum," who is the mother of three children said she would continue to give temporary homes to adopted babies.

But "Dad" interrupted and said: "After some breaks of course. We need some sleep, you know."

## Mr K tells of his son's death

Rheims, Mar. 29. The Soviet Premier, Mr Nikita Khrushchev, revealed the details on the death of his eldest son Leonid for the first time in public today.

He spoke before a lunch audience of local Rheims notables.

"I know the horrors of war," Mr Khrushchev said. "My son, my eldest son, was a victim of German pilots in the first days of the war."

"He spent one and a half months in a hospital and then, as quickly as he could, he returned to his front-line post of fighter pilots."

"There he died," Mr Khrushchev said.

Leonid was reported killed on the Stalingrad front where Mr Khrushchev himself served as political commissar.—UPI.

## Decree nisi

In the divorce court this morning Mr Justice C. W. Recco granted a decree nisi to Mrs. Annie Renzie (alias Annie Van der Ley) of 121, Boundary Street, Kowloon, from Ronald Renzie, address unknown. The decree will be made absolute in three months.



## New launch for Dodwells

The new motor launch, Meretta, built by H.K. and Whampoa Dock Co Ltd to the order of Dodwell and Co Ltd, was christened and launched by Mrs M. Goldsack this morning.

It will be completed and delivered to the owners in a week. The launch will be used for passenger transportation on week days and for staff recreation during the evenings.

## Campaign to wipe out violence from BBC TV

London. The British Broadcasting Corporation has begun a campaign to wipe "unnecessary violence" from the television screen.

A new code bans displays of excessive physical cruelty in adult television films.

It also outlaws scenes of extreme emotional distress on children's programmes on the grounds that these can be more upsetting to children than gun battles or fist fights.

The new code will not prohibit stories of villains and heroes which "satisfy the wholesome appetite of children for excitement."

Under the new rules, no programme likely to upset youngsters will be shown before 9 p.m.

The code, prepared by Mr Kenneth Adam, director of BBC Television, will go into immediate effect. It is expected to be a strong influence on British and American TV producers.

On the taboo list for children's shows are scenes of cruelty in the home, physical disabilities used for dramatic effect, intriguing weapons and stunts, brutal weapons, brutal fighting, and terrifying background music.

Also declared unsuitable for children are the portrayal of good characters with bad habits, and of supernatural characters in modern dress.

## ADULT FILMS

To be eliminated from adult TV films are: violence for its own sake (not required by the plot); sound effects, such as bones breaking, which magnify violence; distasteful scenes of violence towards women or animals; and scenes designed to frighten the nervous.

Since Britain is the most profitable overseas market for American television film makers, it is expected that they will keep a sharp eye on the new code.

Independent (commercial) Television says it will not draw up an anti-violence code, but will continue to conform to the standards set by the Television Act.

The act forbids anything to be shown which offends good taste, decency or public feelings.—China Mail Special.

From the Files

**25 years AGO**

March, 1935

THE wedding took place on Saturday of Dr Ernest To, son of Dr and Mrs Coxon To of Hongkong, and Miss Hermine Leopoldine Long, the elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Francis X. Long of Austria. The bride's father, famous as a magician and acrobat, is better known under his stage name of Long Tack Sam. The duties of best man were discharged by Mr J. E. Kotwall.

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Newspapers continued to express serious concern over the European situation. The Morning Post published as its lead story on page 13 — then its main news page — the following: French contingents have been brought up to occupy the principal strategic points along the Franco-German frontier and the chain of supposedly impenetrable forts which stretch from Switzerland to the sea have been manned.

Meanwhile, Italy has extended the term of military service for the Army, thereby increasing the number of men under arms to half a million.

A plea for peace will be issued by His Holiness Pope Pius XI who is preparing an encyclical analysing the present political situation.

Mr F. B. Kellor, author of the famous Kellor pact outlawing war, declared in Pasadena that there was no excuse for Germany's violation of the Treaty of Versailles.

Mr George Lansbury, Leader of the Labour Party, declared in the House of Commons that Britain was marching to war.

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Will Anna May Wong make a picture in Hongkong soon? Mr Rudolf Friml, the noted composer, answered the question in the affirmative, shortly before his departure for Shanghai on Saturday.

Friml's quest for a Chinese girl to play the leading role in his latest operetta has failed, and he has opened negotiations with the Hollywood Chinese star, at present in England to take the part.

During the five months spent in Hongkong searching for an ideal girl, Friml wrote two further plays. He intends selling these in Hollywood. He has already written Vagabond, King, Rose Marie and Desert Song.

## U.S. estate

New York, Mar. 29. Lord Colum Edmund Crichton-Stuart, former Conservative member of the British Parliament and one-time private secretary to the Secretary General of the League of Nations, who died on August 18, 1957, left an American estate of \$1,542,784, an estate tax appraisal showed today.

The British diplomat left his estate in trust to his widow. Upon her death the estate is to be divided up among Roman Catholic charities to be selected by trustees of the estate.—AP.

## This funny world



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